

The Counties.

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Rockcastle County.

Disputants.

Preachers' Association at Tanyard Saturday.

Three preachers preached at Mt. Stewart Saturday.

Miss Nannie Anglin has returned from her visit on Roundstone.

James Hammond says he is the best looking man on Clear Creek.

A prayer meeting has been organized at the Hammond school-house.

Abney & Co. are setting up a shingle mill on Mason Anglin's place.

Noah Anglin, of Copper Creek, is attending school at the Hammond district.

Mr. and Mrs. Green Hoskins, of Roundstone, are visiting friends at this place.

Abner Eversole had a combat with a large rattlesnake several days ago but the snake escaped.

James Hammond and B. P. Allen had a lonely ride Sunday night, going to Climax to hear the Mormon preach.

Owsley County.

Owsley county is one of the eastern counties of Kentucky and was formed in 1843, being named for Gov. William Owsley. It is well watered and drained by the South Fork of the Kentucky river, which flows through the center of the county. Many tributaries flowing into it from the east and west afford perfect drainage and good water supply. The soil is good, rich, and yields abundant crops. It is underlaid with coal of the best quality, both bituminous and cannel being found. About 40 feet below the surface are veins 8 to 10 feet thick, also gray and blue limestone suitable for building purpose. We lack proper transportation facilities for all of these and have only the coming of the railroad to look forward to in order to bring Owsley up in the front rank.

South Fork.

Miss Etta Seale visited Lee county, Sunday.

Mrs. W. B. Pendergrass, who is very ill, is not improving.

It's a girl—Mr. Toliver is so proud he can't hardly say enough.

Rains are the most welcome visitors to Owsley now. We need them.

Z. M. Minter of Clark county visited his parents at this place last week.

Mr. M. V. Roberts says good by to Owsley until September. We are sorry.

Charles Reynolds says that Owsley doesn't seem as it once did. We can guess why.

Several funerals were preached at New Hope, Sunday. A large crowd in attendance.

Messrs. Thomas and Willie Pendergrass and Jasper Carmack left last week for Clark county to work.

The Teachers Association for second and third Magisterial Districts will be held at the White Oak school-house Aug. 26. You are invited.

South Booneville

F. M. Abshear fell from his porch last Wednesday, receiving several bruises.

Crops have improved wonderfully since the recent rain and may even be above the average.

County court met last Monday. The issues of the day politically are being discussed now.

Mrs. Robert Wilson met with a painful accident last Wednesday, falling and breaking her arm.

Last week, John Isom was driving a horse in a sled, when it became frightened and ran away, injuring the old man fatally.

Several of our young men went to Cincinnati on the excursion August 6. Mr. Bruce Woodward, our clever merchant, went especially to see Dr. Burkhardt.

R. E. Smith, candidate for the Legislature, preached for us at South Booneville last Sunday. He is a good preacher and we think would make a good representative.

The Democrats of Owsley say they will vote for Goebel if he will promise to come to Owsley to live, in order that the brains and intellect of the State may all be in one county.

Laurel County.

London

The L. & N. is going to build a branch from East Bernstadt to Manchester. Henry Thompson has taken a contract for the first few miles and will begin shortly.

London is the most prosperous town in Laurel county, having a population of perhaps 1500 inhabitants. Lumber business is carried on extensively, and the Bauer Cooperage Co. are doing a big business in the stove trade. LONDON CORRESPONDENT.

Clay County.

Bright Shade

We have had some showers of much needed rain.

Oliver Wagers made a business trip to Manchester, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. James Manning of Tennessee are visiting relatives here.

Teachers seem to be having lively times with the schools in this locality.

A meeting was held at the school-house, Sunday, with a large attendance.

Henry Manning, Miss Emma Manning, and others, visited Martin's Creek, Saturday and Sunday.

It was expected that Woodson Swafford and Miss Rabin Smith would get married, Saturday, but the wedding was postponed.

Skidmore.

Buck Asher found a very fine bee tree the other day.

Mrs. Lucy Asher and children are visiting friends at this place.

Dillon Asher, Sr. killed a rattlesnake the other day, four feet in length.

Born to the wife of Prof. Burns, a boy. The mother and baby are doing well.

Mrs. Martha Lytle is at Hyden undergoing treatment for throat trouble.

Dillon Asher, Jr., and his wife have moved into the house recently occupied by Dillon Asher, Sr.

Lee Asher was snapped through the hand, the other day, by a dog, has not been in school for a few days.

Sidell

Our school is progressing nicely under the management of Prof. William Wolfe.

John J. Fletcher, Allen McKenney, Henry Bowman, and Milt Jones have gone to the army.

Everything is quiet in Clay now. It is the opinion of the people that the trouble is all over.

Rev. Woodward passed through here yesterday on his return from Knox county where he had been holding a meeting.

Deputy Sheriff Hall passed through here yesterday with Hullett Bill Lewis, taking him to Manchester where he will be tried for beach of the peace.

Madison County.

Panola.

Red Hill School is dismissed this week on account of the institute.

We had good rains Thursday and Friday, and a hard storm Saturday morning.

A large crowd left Irvine on the excursion Thursday for the Lexington Fair.

Rev. J. J. Johnston, of Louisville, is spending a few days at this place with his son, Dr. S. N. Johnston.

The working people of this and other towns on the R. N. I. & B. can take advantage of the Saturday night train running from Versailles to Irvine spending Sunday at the Springs, returning early Monday morning.

T. A. Shelton, of this place, had a fine heifer stolen from his farm near Red Hill, last week. The thieves were arrested at Richmond by Sheriff Coyler, and the calf recovered. The prisoners will probably be sent to Frankfort.

Wm. Wolf, R. N. I. & B. agent at this place, left for Irvine, where he relieved Mr. Hacker, agent at that place, for a day or two. Mr. Wolf passed through here Friday on his way home at Nicholasville, where he will spend a few days with his parents. He will also visit relatives in Shelby county before returning to work.

College Hill

One of the best places in Kentucky is College Hill.

This quiet village is situated on the Waco and Red River turn-pike opposite what is known as the "Bend" in the Kentucky River, which forms the Northern and Eastern boundaries of Madison county.

College Hill was formerly known as Texas, but later on received its present classic title from an academy founded there by Rev. J. J. Johnson, a noted educator and divine, under whose energy and intellectual magnetism the place came into prominence as a seat of learning. The old academy building still stands near the eastern limit of the village, upon a beautiful knoll commanding a vast sweep of country abounding in natural scenery for which this part of Kentucky is noted. It graduated some noted men, prominent in state and national affairs, among whom may be mentioned Hon. C. M. Barnett who stands high in the councils of the Republican party, Hon. W. W. Combs, member of the General Assembly of Kentucky from Madison county. Editor T. C. Adams, the most versatile and accomplished "Owl" that ever hooted? There are others.

Though College Hill is a small place, numbering only about two hundred people of both races and all ages, yet considerable business is carried on there. Three stores carrying all lines of goods, two blacksmith shops, one physician, two churches, one millinery establishment and no saloons.

College Hillians belong to what may be termed the "Middle Class" that staunch, moral, and religious element of society whose love of religious liberty, caused to be established on American soil the greatest repre-

sentative Democracy the world has ever known.

Mr. Editor, come down about "hog-killing" time and if we don't set before you the finest "hog-joles," "chillings," and "crackling" bread you ever tasted I will pay your way back home.

Jackson County.

Collingsworth

We had a heavy rain here Sunday evening.

John Powell and Miss Ollie Powell have just returned from a visit to George Powell near Waco.

John Griffin, one of the members of the Clay county feud, was at this place to-day to get some one to move him from Clay. He says they killed two of his brothers in the last fight and have his grave dug.

The Deputy Sheriff of this county is having great trouble selling stock to pay school tax in district no. 20. About half of the district paid. The rest have been levied on by the tax collector and sale set for last Saturday. A number of men came to the sale with guns and pistols and ordered the sale to stop. The sale was continued and on Tuesday night last the school house was burned. The good citizens of this county aim to see that law enforced in this case.

Evergreen

Dr. Rose is building a new store house.

Mrs. John Smith is recovering from a severe sickness.

All the farmers are much pleased over the recent rain.

Mrs. Louis Lake is improving very slowly, after a long sickness.

Mr. James Lunsford of Wallacetown preached at Cave Spring, Sunday.

Mr. Fred Lunsford, of Wallacetown, is visiting friends and relatives of this place.

Miss Nannie Lake, who has been visiting her brother of Disputanta, visited her father this week.

All the teachers in this section of the county attended the institute at McKee, and enjoyed it to the finish.

School at Pine Grove is progressing very nicely. The attendance is very good, from seventy-five to eighty-five pupils. All the parents are interested in education. G. C. Moore is about the best teacher that has ever taught at Pine Grove.

Tyner.

Daniel Moore, son of G. W. Moore, is very low now with some unknown disease.

G. Reynolds is now at his home in Tyner. Until lately he has lived at McWhorter.

A severe storm passed through here last Thursday damaging the corn considerably.

S. B. Combs left here Sunday for Sinking Valley where he is teaching. He was up for the institute.

A speaking was advertised to be at Tyner on Aug. 9, but the speaker did not come, disappointing many.

We had a very interesting lecture in our school last week by Mr. F. C. Jones, and hope he may come again.

The instructor of the institute at McKee was Prof. Lewis of London. The institute was also attended by Prof. and Mrs. Marsh of Berea College.

On last Wednesday night a smoke-house belonging to Edward Anderson was burned. It was in use as a kitchen and contained all the kitchen furniture and about 27 gallons of canned berries, a nice side saddle, and two sets of harness, making quite a severe loss.

Clover Bottom.

The sick at this place are improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hays have a new baby.

Miss Belle Engle is visiting friends at this place.

Last Tuesday night the school-house in the Powell district was burnt.

Rev. Brandenburg of Burning Springs School passed through here last week.

A teacher's association will be held at the Cave Spring school house the 26 inst.

A number of young people contemplate entering school at Berea for the Fall Term.

Miss Mary Hatfield paid her friends at this place a flying visit Sunday.

The lectures given by Mr. McClintock were listened to by an interested audience.

Miss Fannie Hatfield, of Madison Co., is taking advantage of institute week, and is visiting relatives here.

Services in memory of the deceased wife of John A. Sane, will be conducted by Rev. Merrill and others, at White Spring Church the last Sunday in this month.

Institutes.

Teachers' institutes are to be held in the various counties at the following times and places:

Aug. 14-18, Boyle, (col.) Danville.
 Aug. 14-18, Lincoln, (col.) Stanford.
 Aug. 21-25, Rockcastle, Mt. Vernon.
 Aug. 21-25, Knox, Barbourville.
 Sept. 11-15, Laurel and Whitley, at Williamsburg.

SPECIAL DEPARTMENTS.

THE HOME.

Edited by Mrs. Kate E. Putnam, Teacher in Berea College.

In every wide-awake person there is a desire to do something. It is an evidence of a healthy growth and we do not put much faith in a person who has not such a desire. If a man has no inclination to work, we say he is lazy, and do not count him as being worth very much. But the man who is anxious to do something is the man we are interested in. But don't misunderstand me. It makes a great difference what a man wants to do. He may act in two ways—doing for others, or doing for himself. We all know which we admire. We know which one makes the pleasant neighbor and the clever friend.

For those who do everything for themselves, and to get every possible advantage, the "gotters" we might almost call them, there is no good advice except to change their course of life. Their only danger in continually seeking their own good is that they will sometime be found out and then everyone will know how selfish and mean they are. We can say only this to them, go ahead if you will, but do not get caught at it.

Now the other class, those who try to do what will benefit other people may be called "givers", and we know what pleasant people they are to have about us. They are always helpful and useful to us, until we sometimes wonder how we could do without them. To such people we gladly give praise that is due, and we always have a kind feeling for them. For such people a few suggestions may not be amiss. In the first place, it is the duty of every person to be a useful member of society. It is not the thing to be merely good, but to be good for something. There is always much that needs to be done in this busy old world, and no one should think that his mite of labor will not be needed. It is needed and will not be lost. Possibly you may not get all the credit for it that you deserve, but the really modest, useful person is generally too busy to worry much about lack of appreciation. And this is also true, the modest, helpful, skilful person, who is always ready, and who never finds fault, can not always be forgotten or neglected. Credit due you will come sooner or later. But what if it does not come at once, "to be misunderstood is part of the martyrdom of life."

So do your best, take what comes of it and when we have once accomplished something we have within us the realization that we have been of some service to humanity and some use in the world. We should not be human vegetables but active persons.

THE SCHOOL.

Edited by Mrs. Ella H. Youck, Dean of the Normal Department, Berea College.

A father whose son was about to start to college was asked what his boy was to study. He said, "I do not know yet, but I am going to visit the school, and find out the teacher with the finest character, and my son shall study what he teaches."

This father knew the secret of influence. It is the great thing for our boys and girls to have the companionship of a manly man, a womanly woman, and that under the influence of such a friendship they learn self-control, learn the value of energy and gentleness—that too rare combination.

Parents and trustees do realize in a large measure the importance of having as teacher a man or woman whose example the children may safely follow, but sometimes other considerations warp our judgment and we forget to ask, "Is this the very best teacher that we can get?"

I want to say an earnest word to the teachers this week. I have been attending Institutes and have heard this remark many times, "Oh that does very well to talk about, but isn't practical in our schools." And one teacher said to me "Very few teachers change their work any because of having been to Institute."

Now, fellow teachers, I know very well that there are often methods given that cannot be used in the country school but every great principle must have some application to your work, and it is your task to adapt, not adopt methods. Are we sincere if in our teachers' meetings we agree that *whipping is very seldom necessary in our government* and then whip about half of our pupils the first week because they have "whipped" or "did not have their lessons." The chances are ten to one that we were at fault in the first place, not the pupils. If little people are not kept busy at interesting work, can you blame them for whispering? If you assign lessons by the page, without considering their adaptation to the class, can you wonder that they do not study?

Are you planning to teach better this year than ever before? Are you definite in some plan for self-improvement? What do you most dislike to teach? Suppose you look up everything on the subject, and make a specialty of it. Honestly try some new methods, then you will have something to say at your Association meetings. What will you try to improve most in? I think that *reading* is one of the most poorly taught branches.

Write to me if you have questions.

THE FARM.

Edited by S. C. Mason, Professor of Horticulture, Berea College.

Our Industrial Courses.

The region from which Berea students are gathered is one of the vast possibilities in agricultural and manufacturing lines beyond what has yet been realized. The products of its fields and forests, mines and shops, are to furnish in the future a living and a more comfortable living than in the past for a great population. What so fitting as that the boys who are growing up to till these fields, to manage the forests and harvest the timber, or to develop the mines and manufacturing, should be specially educated for their work? And by education we mean not only the practical training received in the doing of the work, but education in the sciences which relate to these industries. Who so much as the farmer needs to know how soils are formed, what are the elements of food needed by the plants that he cultivates and the conditions under which they thrive best? Who needs to know the laws of animal life and growth more than the man whose prosperity depends upon the success of the flocks and herds he has around him? Many a farmer secures a part of his income from the forest lands he owns. Now if by knowledge of the principles of forestry he can secure a greater income from the same source and still leave the forest lands in condition to yield a revenue to his children, is it not worth while to study these things?

Teachers have their normal course, doctors their medical colleges and ministers their theological seminaries. Does not the science and skill of today reveal things that will help the housewife, upon whose labors the health and comfort of the whole family depend, to do her work? It is with such thoughts that the faculty of Berea College has provided a two years' course in agricultural and domestic science to follow the completion of the grammar school work, and it is hoped that with the opening of the fall term a good many young people will enroll themselves for this work. The course is parallel to the work in the academy and includes some of the same studies and yet it is planned to meet the needs of those who are to manage the farm and the household, not forgetting at the same time that they need to be not only specially trained but also well informed, thoughtful citizens of a country governed by the people.

The fact that at this time Berea can have the advantage of the ripe experience of Dr. Fairchild, who for nearly a score of years has given his best thought to planning for the education of the farmers' boys and girls in Kansas insures that this new course has been framed with the best judgment that this country affords. The courses are as practical as can be made without forgetting that the farmer, of all men, needs to be a trained thinker, not a man to work by rule wholly, but one who can apply general principles to the particular conditions of his farm and locality.



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